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Honorable Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

In the matter of the above-identified application, I hereby appoint William K. Wissing (Reg. No. 34,757), whose postal address is One Johnson & Johnson Plaza, New Brunswick, New Jersey 08933-7003, my associate attorney to prosecute said application, to make alterations and amendments therein, to file continuing applications claiming the benefit of said application, to receive the patent and to transact all business in the Patent Office connected with said application.

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Signed at New Brunswick, in the County of Middlesex and State of New Jersey, this 27th day of March, 2003.

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